SPECIAL MEETING November 27, 2000

The Special Meeting of the Annapolis City Council was held on November 27, 2000 in the Council Chamber. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Johnson, Aldermen Hammond, Tolliver, Gilmer, Sachs,

McMillan, Carter, Fox, Moyer

Staff Present: Planning and Zoning Director Arason

PETITIONS, REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Lt. Commander Richard Giroux
101 Buchannan
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Spoke requesting a one time waiver of fees for police services associated with a Naval Academy Pep Rally dated September 1, 2000.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

O-26-00 For the purpose of conveying, by deed, the City's rights, title and interest in the property known as 805 and 807 West Street and 808 Spa Road in the City of Annapolis, to HS West, LLC; providing for the property to be sold at private sale; and all matters relating to said deed.

Alan Hyatt, Jr., attorney for the applicants, Peters & Weber, P.A., 1919 West Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401, gave a brief presentation and entered a map of the property into the record.

Planning and Zoning Director Arason answered questions by the council.

No one from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing closed.

O-28-00 For the purpose of authorizing the City Council to lease certain municipal property located in the general harbor and Dock Street area of the City and a portion of the City's Edgewood Road property to United States Yacht Shows, Inc. and Annapolis Boat Shows, Inc., bodies corporate, for a certain period of time in October 2004 and October 2005, subject to certain terms, provisions, and conditions, for the purpose of conducting boat shows; and all matters relating to said lease.

No one from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing closed.

- O-29-00 For the purpose of authorizing the lease of a portion of the building located on certain City property known as 25 Market Space to the Big Cheese, Inc.; authorizing the Mayor to sign the Lease Agreement attached hereto; and all matters relating to said lease.
 - 1. Don Darnall, 7801 Oceano Avenue, Jessup, Maryland spoke in favor of the ordinance.
 - 2. Louise Beauregard Meyers, Christian Services USA, Annapolis

Terrace Motel, Annapolis, Maryland spoke regarding the ordinance.

No one else from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing closed.

R-39-00 For the purpose of approving, with certain exceptions, the Management Plan for the Annapolis, London Town and South County Heritage Area; and all matters relating to said Heritage Area.

Speaking on the ordinance:

- 1. Nancy Rea, Admiral Heights Improvement Association, 413 Schley Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
- 2. Debbie Rosen McKerrow, Ward Two Citizens Coalition, 450 Schley Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
- 3. Moss Sweedler, 333 Ridgely Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
- 4. Cindy Faith, 601 Monterey Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
- 5. Tom Davies, 16 College Avenue, Annapolis, Md. 21401
- 6. Richard Kibbe, 7 Schley Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
- 7. Leigh D. McClean, 229 Claude Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
- 8. Tim Wistedler, 401 Monterey Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
- 9. Annie Small, 702 Melrose Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Speaking in favor of the ordinance:

- 1. Peggy Wall, Heritage Area Steering Committee, 183 S. Southwood, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
- 2. Louise Beauregard Meyers, Christian Services USA, Annapolis Terrace Motel, Annapolis, Maryland
- 3. Julie Stankivic, 906 Primrose Road, #204, Annapolis, Maryland 21403

Speaking in opposition to the ordinance:

- 1. Nora Schoenberger, Mariners Cove Condo Association, 302 I Forbes Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
- 2. Peter Smith, 224 Westwood Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
- 3. Margaret M. Abel, 211 Annapolis Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
- 4. Joan Leanos, West Annapolis Civic Association, 120 Giddings Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
- 5. Maureen Lamb, 36 Fleet Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
- 6. Stan Martin, 218 Norwood Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401

No one else from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

Mayor Johnson declared the public hearing closed.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

R-39-00 For the purpose of approving, with certain exceptions, the Management Plan for the Annapolis, London Town and South County Heritage Area; and all matters relating to said Heritage Area.

Alderman Sachs moved to adopt R-39-00 on second reading. Seconded.

Alderman Tolliver moved to amend R-39-00 as follows:

No. 1

On page 2, line 23, strike "except" and add "as amended to reflect ".

No. 2

On page 2, line 28, after the first "the" add "amended".

Seconded. A ROLL CALL vote was taken:

YEAS: Aldermen Hammond, Tolliver, Gilmer, McMillan NAYS: Mayor Johnson, Aldermen Sachs, Carter, Fox, Moyer

DEFEATED: 5-4

Alderman Tolliver moved to amend R-39-00 as follows:

NOTE: These amendments amend R-39-00 to specify those portions of the Annapolis, London Town, and South County Heritage Area Management Plan pertaining to locating the Visitors Center on Rowe Boulevard, which are not incorporated as part of the City's plan.

No. 1

On Page 2, line 32, after "City," insert WITH THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS

No. 2

On Page 2, line 33 after "Plan," strike the ".", and add a ":"

and insert:

On page 41, in paragraph 2, delete, "While the Steering Committee takes no position on a specific site for the new Visitors Center, a location on Rowe Boulevard seems best to serve the needs of the heritage area" and add, "THE STEERING COMMITTEE TAKES NO POSITION ON A SPECIFIC SITE FOR THE NEW VISITORS CENTER."

and

On page 46 in the section labeled "Visitors Center Access Improvement" strike the following: "As noted in Section 4.1.2, Rowe Boulevard is under consideration as the location for the new Capital City Visitors Center. Locating the Visitors Center along this roadway will require access improvements to accommodate vehicles entering and leaving the selected site."

"Rowe Boulevard is envisioned as the primary route into Annapolis from US 50-301 for heritage tourists. In addition to any required access improvement to Rowe Boulevard, other initiatives" and add "INITIATIVES"

<u>and</u>

On page 46, beginning in the 5th line from the bottom of the page, strike "or directed to an alternate site such as the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium lot at Taylor Avenue."

and

On page 47, in the third paragraph, strike "From a transportation linkages perspective, the optimal location for a new Visitors Center is on Rowe Boulevard, as most visitors will be arriving from Route 50-301 and use of this

gateway will minimize the need to go through other areas of Annapolis to reach the Visitor's Center and downtown."

and

On page 48, strike paragraph 2 in its entirety, beginning with "This service could . . . " and ending with "conventional city bus service."

and

On page 48, in paragraph 3, at the end of line 2, strike "above"

and

On page 49 in the section labeled "Rowe Boulevard Bikepath", line 1, strike "upgrade" and add "RESURFACE"

and

On page 49 in that same section, in line 4, strike "to the new Visitors Center"

<u>and</u>

On page A-20, in the section labeled "Strategy . . . ," beginning in line 9, strike "(The recommended site is the NMCMS parking lot, but the Westfield Annapolis Mall parking is also sometimes used for this purpose.)"

and

On page A-23 in the second full paragraph, in the second bullet, strike "from the Weems Creek bridge to the new Visitors Center"

<u>and</u>

On page A-23 in the third full paragraph, beginning in line 5, strike "In terms of location, either of the proposed locations on Rowe Boulevard would put the Visitors Center at the center of a regional network of paths and routes. Current studies on the replacement of Rowe Boulevard bridges are considering the need for bicycle lanes and pedestrian walkways, which should be included to create part of the linkage from the B&A Trail to the proposed Visitors Center. Similarly, the CAMT would link the proposed Visitors Center to the County's South Shore Trail and Parole area facilities via the Poplar Trail and marked routes on Ridgely Avenue and Bestgate Road. Bicycle lanes under consideration for Taylor Avenue would link the Poplar Trail to the Visitors Center." insert option 2

Seconded.

Alderman Gilmer moved to table R-39-00. Seconded. DEFEATED on voice vote.

A ROLL CALL vote was taken on Alderman Tolliver's amendment option 2:

YEAS: Aldermen Hammond, Tolliver, Gilmer, McMillan NAYS: Mayor Johnson, Aldermen Sachs, Carter, Fox, Moyer

DEFEATED: 5-4

Mayor Johnson moved to amend R-39-00 as follows:

No. 1

On Page 2, after line 33 add, "AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that this resolution shall be made a part of the management plan and printed within that plan.

Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Hammond moved to amend R-39-00 as follows:

On page 2, line 32, after the word City, add "with the exception of references to the visitor center on Rowe Boulevard.

Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

The main motion as amended CARRIED on voice vote.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Deborah Heinbuch, CMC/AAE City Clerk